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TKAM Reading Questions Ch. 1 and 2
Empathy:
Sympathy:
1. What does Scout's story have to do with Jem's broken arm?
2. Where does the story take place? How old is Scout?
3. Why do you suppose Scout goes into so much detail about the Finches? What point is Lee trying to make through her narrator? (Hint: this novel deals with racism and injustice in the South during the 1930s)
4. So far, what information about Arthur "Boo" Radley can we be certain is true?
5. What rumors surrounding the Radleys and Boo are mentioned in the first two chapters?
6. Why are the children so fascinated with Boo Radley? Return to pg. 14. What are Dill and Jem discussing? Where do you see a glimpse of empathy from Dill?
7. There are a few descriptions of how Boo is treated by his family and neighbors. Find one and describe it here.
8. How do we know that the children have, in a sense, made contact with Boo Radley?

9. How does Scout initially feel about starting school? How does she feel about school after her first day? Why?
10. Why is Miss Caroline having such a difficult time relating to her students?
11. What happens between Walter Cunningham and Miss Caroline? Why do the other children suggest Scout explain the situation? Why does Miss Caroline punish Scout?
12. What does Scout say about Miss Caroline at the end of the chapter? This is the beginning of?
13. Record some descriptions for each character. Consider how they act, what they say, and how other characters respond or interact with them.
Scout:
Jem:
Dill:
Atticus:
Calpurnia: